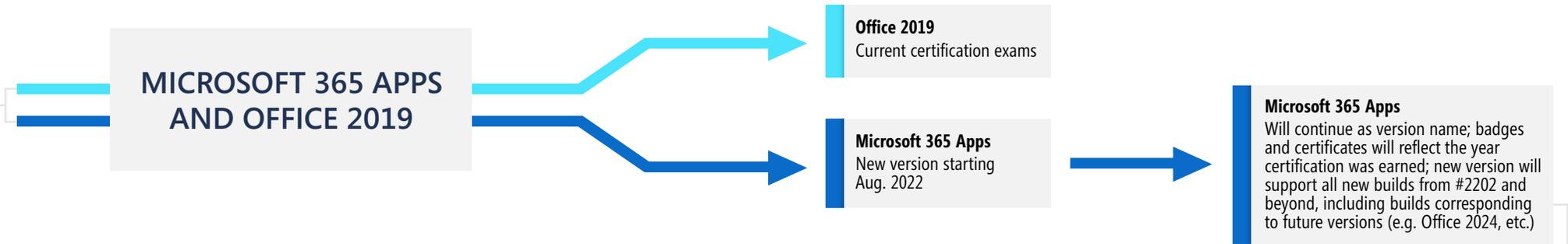


MICROSOFT 365 APPS CERTIFICATIONS UPDATE



VERSION NAME CHANGE



MICROSOFT OFFICE SPECIALIST ASSOCIATE OR EXPERT PATHWAY UPDATES

OFFICE 2019

ASSOCIATE

Microsoft Office Specialist Associate:
(Any 3)

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Excel Associate
Word Associate
Outlook Associate
PowerPoint Associate

EXPERT

Microsoft Office Specialist Expert:
(Any 2)

Access Expert
Word Expert
Excel Expert

+

Microsoft Office Specialist: Associate

MICROSOFT 365 APPS

ASSOCIATE

Microsoft Office Specialist Associate:
(Any 3)

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Excel Associate
Word Associate
Outlook Associate
PowerPoint Associate

EXPERT

Microsoft Office Specialist Expert:
Word Expert
Excel Expert

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Microsoft Office Specialist: Associate

Starting July 1st, 2022, the Microsoft Office 365 Apps and Office 2019 exams will be renamed as the Office 2019 exams. Starting in August, we will begin introducing a new version of the exams called Microsoft 365 Apps. The Microsoft 365 Apps exams will be the only version updated.

- Candidates are required to complete all remaining exams within the Associate or Expert certification pathways in one version either Office 2019 or Microsoft 356 Apps.

For any Microsoft 365 Apps and Office 2019 certification earned prior to June 30, 2022:

Finish the certification pathway by choosing either the Microsoft Office 2019 or Microsoft 365 Apps versions of the remaining exams

All exams taken after July 1, 2022 must be of the same version (Office 2019 or Microsoft 365 Apps)

No change to current requirements

If the first Microsoft 365 Apps or Office 2019 certification is earned on July 1, 2022, or after then:

All exams must be taken in the same version to apply to pathway certification.

To pursue Access Expert certification, candidates must pursue Office 2019 version. Microsoft 365 Apps will no longer offer the Access Expert certification exam.